## VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

## CITY OF TAFT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

## JUNE 23, 2020 KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET 6:30 P.M.

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day June 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

You may join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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The public will be permitted to offer public comments via telephone as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the telephone conference will be made, and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

- 1. Call to order and quorum check.
- 2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. VISITORS At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter. To address the Council, please sign the Opinion/Speaker Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the meeting room and deliver to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
- 4. Update and discussion from Blanca Fradera with the U.S. Census Bureau on the self-response for the 2020 Census.
- 5. Update and discussion from Mr. Jeff Snowden with Capex on the water rate study.
- 6. Consider and take action to select a plan and carrier for the City of Taft's annual windstorm insurance coverage from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- 7. Consider and act upon selecting financing for the City's windstorm insurance and authorizing the execution of documents related thereto from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

- 8. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an interlocal government contract and agreement with San Patricio County regarding services for Road and Bridge, Pct. 1. from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.
- 9. Discuss, consider and act upon approving an agreement with Santos McBain Management & Planning for professional services related to the tracking of COVID-19 expenses, submission of expenses to the Federal Emergency Management Agency and monitoring the reimbursement process.
- 10. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a contract with Santos McBain Management & Planning to perform grant administration services for the GLO Contract No. 20-065-097-C269, Community Development Block Grant, Disaster Recovery Program Infrastructure Projects, Non-Research & Development, Harvey Round 1 Funding.
- 11. Consider, discuss and take action to file a Release of Lien regarding a Notice of Lien filed by the City of Taft on April 16, 1979 on land with legal descriptions of:
  - (1) West 50 Ft of Lots 13 to 16, Blk 21 Taft Townsite, commonly known as 205 Green Ave.
  - (2) All of Lots 17 to 18, Blk 21, Taft Townsite, commonly known as 209/211 Green Ave.
- 12. Consider, discuss, and take action on a check received from San Patrico County Drainage District in the amount of \$5,320.00 for the removal and repair of (2) 4x6 inlets on Green Ave. completed by Lone Star Sitework.
- 13. Consider, discuss, and take action on the completion of the Taft Animal Control Shelter building.
- 14. Consider, discuss, and take action to amend Resolution 635 by approving Resolution 636 a resolution of the city council of the City of Taft, Texas authorizing the Taft Fireworks Extravaganza; authorizing the in-kind and financial support and sponsorship of the event by the city; and establishing an effective date.
- 15. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a one-day waiver on Ordinance No. 779, Section V, to allow the sell of alcohol by an approved Pride of Taft vendor provided that said vendor obtains a valid city permit to sell alcohol at the Fireworks Extravaganza on July 4, 2020.
- 16. Discussion on the use of the City of Taft shooting range by the Taft Volunteer Fire Department for training purposes. (Councilman Vasquez)
- 17. Discussion on the trees at the Taft Memorial Park located on Green Ave. (Councilman Vara)
- 18. Discussion on how police interact with businesses when there is a complaint. (Councilman Vara)
- 19. Taft Municipal Court Judge Diaz to report status and update of the municipal court. (Councilman Rodriguez)
- 20. Discussion on wording to be placed on all city committees or boards agendas that a quorum of the city council may attend to participate. (Councilman Rodriguez)
- 21. Discussion of neighbor's yards affected by sidewalk to the park project. (Councilman Rodriguez)
- 22. Discussion on renewing the search for the city manager position for City of Taft. (Councilman Rodriguez)
- 23. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a car allowance for the City Secretary/Court Clerk and the Finance/Human Resources Director.

- 24. Discuss, consider and act on the operational and logistical measures related to the City's preparedness and response to the federal, state, and city's local state of emergency declarations due to a public health emergency known as Covid-19 pandemic.
- 25. City Council Requests and Announcements:
  - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
  - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
- 26. Adjournment.

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

- 1. Texas Open Meetings Act Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where *legal advice* is Section 551.071 requested of the City Attorney.
- 2. Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.072 The *purchase, exchange, lease or value or real property*, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
- 3. Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.073 A *contract for a prospective gift or donation* to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
- 4. Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.074 

  Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee.
- 5. Texas Open Meetings Act Section 551.076 The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of security personnel or devices.
- 6. Texas Open Meetings Act Deliberations regarding *economic development negotiations*. Section 551.087

## NOTICE

Persons with disabilities planning to attend this meeting who may need auxiliary aids or services are asked to contact the City offices at (361) 528-3512 by Monday noon.

DATED and POSTED this the 19th day of June 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

Jennifer Fineda, City Secretary